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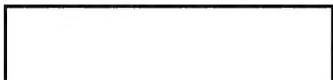
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Dear Bud:

It meant a lot to hear from you upon the occasion of my nomination as DDCI. It will be a difficult job, but the problems, I think, will be outnumbered by the opportunities and I will do the best I can to restore the rightful lustre and status of CIA in the hearts and minds of our countrymen.

All the best to you and your colleagues at Hughes who are doing so much to meet important national needs. As you move in and out of Washington, please keep in touch. I would love to have the benefit of your advice and counsel from time to time.

Faithfully yours,



E. H. Knoche

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